Patriotic Federation Organized 23 Years Ago

"Purpose, to organize all patriotic orders in Salem in a patriotic fellowship and good will service. To promote greater love of patriotism and loyal service to our country. To promote the maintenance of unqualified American citizenship with respect for and honor to the flag."

That is from the original by-laws of the Salem Federation of Patriotic Orders written and approved by the federation just 23 years ago.

James Callaway, president of the federation, found some interesting facts recently while looking over the constitution and by-laws of the organization.

The Salem Federation of Patriotic Orders was organized in 1930 and its membership consists of 28 veterans', auxiliary and patriotic groups. Since 1930 the federation has assumed the responsibility of promoting the Armistice, Memorial and other patriotic parades and memorial ceremonies. In the past it has performed an important function in the sponsorship and assistance in promoting programs and banquets for citizens.

The present membership of the federation consists of The Daughters of the American Revolution, Women's Relief corps, auxiliary to GAR, Ladies of the GAR, Daughters of Union Veterans, Sons of Union Veterans, auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, Spanish-American War Veterans, auxiliary to the Spanish American War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 661, auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 661, American Legion Post No. 2, auxiliary to American Legion Post No. 9, American Legion Post No. 149, American Legion Post No. 136, auxiliary to American Legion Post No. 136, American Legion Post No. 81, auxiliary to American Legion Post No. 6, Disabled American Veterans, American War Mothers, Marine Corps League, auxiliary to Marine Corps League, Military Order of Cooties, Pup Tent No. 6 (VFW), Gold Star Mothers, Military Order of the Purple Heart, auxiliary to Military Order of the Purple Heart, Navy Mothers, Carry On Cootiette Club No. 141.

Past presidents of the organization and the years they served: 1930, G. A. Stover; 1931, G. A. Stover; 1932, L. C. McShane; 1933, Irl McSherry; 1934, Mrs. Eulena Bales; 1935, L. Mickelson; 1936, King Bartlett; 1937, William Bliven; 1938, Glenn Adams; 1939, Glenn Adams; 1940, Herman Lafke; 1941 B. E. (Kelly) Owens; 1942, O. E. Palmateer; 1943, O. E. Palmateer; 1944, Luther Cook; 1946, Rex Kimmell; 1946, Paul Hendricks; 1947, A. L. Strayer; 1948, A. D. Apperson; 1949, Don Madison; 1950, Mel Clemens; 1951, Robert Holweger; 1952, Dr. Roy Scofield, and 1953, James Callaway.

Early records of the organization do not designate the various ones who served as general chairmon of Armistice Day and special programs. It is assumed that a number of the past presidents served in that capacity during their term of office. Brig. Gen. Carle Abrams possibly has been called upon to perform the duties of general chairman, master of ceremonies, grand marshal, etc., more than any other ex-veteran or Salem citizen. Others who have served in recent years as general chairman for Armistice Day parade and program are Douglas Parks, O. E. Palmateer, Walter Kirk, Robert Powell, John TeSelle, A. D. Apperson, Robert Holweger, Earl Ahlers, and James Callawey.

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North Howell

North Howell — Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Coomler were dinner hosts Friday evening to a group of friends whose wedding anniversaries are all observed the same month. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Aker, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Strchan, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Nelson and the hosts.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Nichols of Salem accompanied Mrs. Jim Jackson to Camas, Wash., Sunday where they were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Cox.

Mrs. Harvey Gilbertson, clerk of North Howell school district, is taking the school census.

Mrs. Pete Schmidt visited relatives in Idaho the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Oddie returned Sunday from a vacation of several days at Neskowin and other coast towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dunn entertained with a party Friday evening for the pupils of the upper grades on Saturday, including all the pupils in the lower grades, were also entertained at the Dunn home.

The home extension unit met at the grange hall Wednesday with reports from the A. C. W. W. members and the program committee. Luncheon hostesses were Mrs. R. C. Jefferson, Mrs. Perle Wood, Mrs. Will Addie and Mrs. Ernest Redding. The project for the day was keeping up to date with textiles.

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IN NAVY COLLECTION

One hundred and twenty-four Naval combat paintings from World War II and the Korean war will be exhibited in Salem from Friday evening through Tuesday of next week and in the collection will be the above picture, which is a water color done by Comdr. Albert K. Murray, USNR. The exhibit is being shown in the vacant store building at 237 North Liberty street. (U.S. Navy photo)

British Purchases in NW Far Above Sales

Britain is buying five times as much in the Pacific Northwest as she is selling in this section, Norman R. Prickett, British vice consul in Portland said while in Salem Monday.

Principal purchases are grain and wood products. Fruit was once bought in large quantities, he said, but not much now. Britain will have to become prosperous again before these can be bought in quantity here.

The British sell the Northwest tractors, woolens, china, some autos and cultivators, and of course some whiskey. One line of tractors that does not compete directly with U. S. models, is having success, he said.

Prickett has lived in the states 14 years, serving his government at Portland, Maine, Seattle and Portland, Oregon. His daughter is married and lives at Aberdeen, Wash.

School Board, Council to Meet in Joint Session

The Salem school district and the city fathers will try to work out a recreational program on a mutual basis of cost of maintenance, perhaps on an enlarged scale.

This was indicated Tuesday night when the school directors listened to a report of Prof. Leslie J. Sparks, head of the department of physical education of Willamette university.

Cast in the role of coordinator of recreational activities under the joint operation of the city and schools, Prof. Sparks sketched what the community has done; the shortcomings of the system now in effect and pointed out the deficiencies.

A joint meeting between the school directors and the city council is scheduled for the council chamber the night of November 23.

Sparks said the city has a chance to take over the 30-acre lake that is being developed by the state highway department along Mill creek southeast of Salem. However, an additional five acres or so of land will be needed to implement the project. He said there was a pressing need for a full time recreational director on a year-round basis, under cover swimming pools and a few buildings where wintertime activities could be carried on.

The Olinger and Leslie pools, built during the depression years as WPA projects are deteriorating, it was stated during last night's conference. A determination as to their exact condition may be undertaken by engineers providing the cost is not excessive. Upon such a report may depend whether they are to be repaired and covered or whether entirely new ones will be constructed.

Prof. Sparks said three pools could be used in Bush Park, one exclusively for the younger generation.

WOODBURN SCHOOLS

Woodburn — Woodburn public schools were closed today (Wednesday) for Armistice Day and will remain closed through Thursday and Friday of this week to permit instructors to attend the teachers' institute called in Salem by the county school superintendent.

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